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Empowerment
in Life Sciences (FELS)



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FELS Research Day: Enhancing Excellence in Research

**Friday, March 21, 2025
09:00-16:00**

**Ettore-Rossi Auditorium,
Julie-von-Jenner Haus (Kinderklinik), Inselspital
Freiburgstrasse 15, 3010 Bern**

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Program

08:30 Registration in Foyer of Ettore-Rossi Auditorium

9:00 Opening

PD Dr. Anne Gregor & Dr. Aleksandra Tuleja, FELS co-chairs
Prof. Heike Mayer
Prof. Britta Engelhardt

Session I

Chairs: Dr. Emilie Seydoux, Dr. Irina Filchenko

9:15 Key note lecture I

Prof. Britta Engelhardt

«How brain barriers orchestrate central nervous system immune privilege - from biology to an excursion on barriers and privileges in medieval and modern societies»

9:50 Invited Talk

Dr. Jeanne Moor

«The leaky pipeline among Swiss physicians»

10:10 Coffee break and poster viewing in Foyer

Session II

Chairs: Dr. Jeanne Moor, PD Dr. Laura Walti

10:35 Key note lecture II

Prof. Karolina Kublickiene

«Introduction to sex- and gender-specific medicine»

Oral presentations (with audience voting for prize)

11:05 Dr. Helly Hammer (Department of Neurology, Inselspital)

Sex differences in baseline characteristics, reperfusion treatment, outcome and secondary prevention after stroke in three different socioeconomic environments

11:12 Dr. Raphaela Muri (Department of Diabetes, Endocrinology, Nutritional Medicine and Metabolism, Inselspital)

Reversible brain structure alterations induced by high phenylalanine exposure in adults with phenylketonuria

11:19 Huijuan Wang (Department of Rheumatology and Immunology, Inselspital)

Deciphering early-stage mechanisms of progressive pulmonary fibrosis through single-cell and spatial profiling

11:26 Dr. Lilian Salm (Department of Visceral Surgery and Medicine, Inselspital)

Plasma fibronectin released by peritoneal macrophages promotes remote skin wound healing

11:33 Dr. Ruiqing Ni (Department of Nuclear Medicine, Inselspital)

Preclinical imaging in neurodegenerative diseases

11:40 Dr. Verdiana Trappetti (Institute of Anatomy, University of Bern)

Microbeam radiotherapy as potential tool for melanoma in situ vaccination

Dr. Christa Nater (Department of Psychology, University of Bern)

How Gender-Inclusive Workplace Norms Free Women—and Men—From Masculine Defaults (pre-recorded)



12:00 Lunch and poster viewing in Foyer

12:45 Panel discussion

Chair: Dr. Daniëlle Verschoor

«How can we fix the leaky pipeline? - innovative pathways to inclusive medical science and leadership»

Prof. Britta Engelhardt, Prof. Karolina Kublickiene, Prof. Heike Mayer, Prof. Stuart Lane, Prof. Urs Fischer

Moderator: Prof. Suzanne Anderson

13:45 Announcements of audience prize winner

14:00 Workshops

«Design the future – what would make a leadership career more attractive»

**Moderators: Prof. Uyen Huynh-Do
Prof. Sissel Guttormsen
Prof. Sven Streit
Prof. Britta Engelhardt**

Workshop rooms will be highlighted at the event, please follow your colored dot which indicate your workshop room

15:00 Networking Apero in Foyer

Invited speakers, panelists and workshop moderators

Prof. Heike Mayer	<i>Vice-Rector for Quality and Sustainable Development, Head of Economic Geography Unit, University of Bern</i>
Prof. Britta Engelhardt	<i>President, Intrafaculty Commission for Gender Equality, Medical Faculty; Director & Professor Theodor Kocher Institute, University of Bern</i>
Dr. Jeanne Moor	<i>Co-President, Swiss Society for Gender Health; Dept. of General Internal Medicine, University Hospital of Bern; BIHAM Institute of Primary Health Care, University of Bern</i>
Prof. Karolina Kublickiene	<i>Associate Professor, Obstetrics & Gynecology; Senior Scientist, Dept. of Clinical Science Intervention & Technology, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm</i>
Prof. Suzanne Anderson	<i>Institute of Diagnostic, Interventional and Paediatric Radiology, Inselspital Bern, University of Bern & Sydney</i>
Prof. Stuart Lane	<i>President of the Research Council: Careers at the SNSF, University of Lausanne</i>
Prof. Urs Fischer	<i>Chair of the Department of Neurology, Inselspital Bern</i>
Prof. Uyen Huynh-Do	<i>Department of Nephrology, Inselspital Bern</i>
Prof. Sissel Guttormsen	<i>Director at Institute for Medical Education (IML), Medical Faculty, University of Bern</i>
Prof. Sven Streit	<i>Professor of Primary Care, Primary Health Care Institute, University of Bern</i>

Organizing committee

Dr. Irina Filchenko, PD Dr. Anne Gregor, Svea Lehmann, Dr. Jeanne Moor, Dr. Emilie Seydoux, Dr. Daniëlle Verschoor, PD Dr. Laura Walti

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